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Subject: Selective Service Deferments and Air Corps Enlisted Reserve,

Inactive Status

To: All Unit Commanders

- l. In keeping with the basic policy of Civil Air Fatrol to use qualified men who are not eligible for duty with the armed forces, the Army Air Forces have recently reconsidered the subject of Selective Service deferments of CAP personnel, and have determined that it is not desired that deferment be granted to any person by reason of membership or assignment in CAP.
- 2. This policy has also been held to apply to the practice of placing men in the Air Corps Enlisted Reserve, Inactive Status.
- 3. In view of the foregoing decisions, it is anticipated that steps may be expected to be taken to cancel the deferments of those who are presently deferred on the basis of CAP assignment, and also to call to active duty those now in the Air Corps Enlisted Reserve, Inactive Status.
- 4. This Headquarters realizes that this is a difficult situation and that it places a heavy burden on CAP operations. However, as in the past, we shall continue to do everything in our power to obtain the necessary replacements and to this end all unit commanders are requested to cooperate in every way possible.
- 5. It is important that all unit commanders forward to this Headquarters as soon as possible applications for active duty assignment from all available pilots, mechanics, radio technicians, servicemen, and watchmen who have attained their 38th birthday or who have been classified as 4-F by the Selective Service System and who are available for active duty for periods of not less than 90 days. Such applications should be forwarded direct to National Headquarters by airmail special delivery as rapidly as obtained.

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